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Part 1: Building a Foundation

What is the standard unit of measurement for acceleration?

Hint: Think about the units used in physics for measuring acceleration.

- ◯ Meters per second (m/s)
- ◯ Meters per second squared (m/s²)
- ◯ Kilometers per hour (km/h)
- ◯ Newtons (N)

Which of the following statements about acceleration are true?

Hint: Consider the definitions and properties of acceleration.

- ☐ Acceleration can be negative.
- ☐ Acceleration is the same as velocity.
- ☐ Acceleration is a vector quantity.
- ☐ Acceleration is always constant.

Define acceleration in your own words and provide an example of positive acceleration.

Hint: Think about how you would explain acceleration to someone unfamiliar with the concept.

List two types of acceleration and provide a brief description of each.

Hint: Consider different scenarios where acceleration occurs.

1. Type 1: Uniform Acceleration

2. Type 2: Non-Uniform Acceleration

Part 2: Understanding and Interpretation

If a car's velocity changes from 20 m/s to 30 m/s in 5 seconds, what is its acceleration?

Hint: Use the formula for acceleration: (final velocity - initial velocity) / time.

- ◯ 2 m/s²
- ◯ 5 m/s²
- ◯ 10 m/s²
- ◯ 15 m/s²

Which of the following graphs correctly represents constant acceleration?

Hint: Think about how velocity changes over time in a graph.

- ☐ A straight horizontal line on a velocity-time graph.
- ☐ A straight line with a positive slope on a velocity-time graph.
- ☐ A curved line on a velocity-time graph.
- ☐ A straight line with a negative slope on a velocity-time graph.

Explain how a velocity-time graph can be used to determine acceleration.

Hint: Consider the relationship between velocity and time in the graph.

Part 3: Application and Analysis

A cyclist accelerates from rest to 10 m/s in 4 seconds. What is the cyclist's acceleration?

Hint: Use the formula for acceleration: (final velocity - initial velocity) / time.

- ◯ 2.5 m/s²
- ◯ 4 m/s²
- ◯ 5 m/s²
- ◯ 10 m/s²

In which of the following scenarios is negative acceleration occurring?

Hint: Think about situations where an object is slowing down.

- ☐ A car coming to a stop at a red light.
- ☐ A rocket launching into space.
- ☐ A ball thrown upwards reaching its peak height.
- ☐ A train speeding up as it leaves the station.

Describe a real-world situation where understanding acceleration is crucial and explain why.

Hint: Think about scenarios in daily life or specific professions.

If an object has a constant acceleration, what can be said about its velocity over time?

Hint: Consider how acceleration affects velocity.

- ◯ The velocity remains constant.
- ◯ The velocity decreases.
- ◯ The velocity increases linearly.
- ◯ The velocity fluctuates.

Part 4: Evaluation and Creation

Which factor would increase the acceleration of an object, assuming a constant force is applied?

Hint: Think about the relationship between mass and acceleration.

- ◯ Increasing the mass of the object.
- ◯ Decreasing the mass of the object.
- ◯ Increasing the velocity of the object.
- ◯ Decreasing the velocity of the object.

Evaluate the following methods to increase a car's acceleration:

Hint: Consider how each method affects the car's performance.

- ☐ ReducING the car's weight.
- ☐ Increasing the engine power.
- ☐ Driving on a steeper incline.
- ☐ Using tires with better grip.

Propose a method to experimentally determine the acceleration of a toy car and describe the steps involved.

Hint: Think about how you would set up an experiment to measure acceleration.